

Open Meeting  
September 28, 2010  
9:00 am - 9:25 am

Persons Attending:

Commission Staff:

Sherrie Hayashi, Commissioner  
Alan Hennebold, Deputy Commissioner  
Sara Danielson, Admin. Asst.  
Pete Hackford, Boiler & Elevator Safety Director  
Bill Adams, UOSH Operations Manager  
Mike Pedersen, Boiler & Elevator Safety  
Ami Windham, Boiler & Elevator Safety Business Analyst  
Will Barlow, Legal Counsel  
Ron Dressler, IA Division Director  
Dr. Alan Colledge, IA Medical Director

Others Attending:

Chris Taylor  
Eric Passey  
Peg Howard  
R Kurumada  
Bill Wortley  
Amy Tippetts  
Emily Draper

Commissioner Hayashi called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Because of the visitors, Commissioner Hayashi reviewed the rule making process.

Item 1. R616-3-3 Elevators – Incorporation of Standards

Ami Windham explained that due to new technologies in the elevator industry, a new standard needed to be incorporated. She explained that the standard being incorporated is specific to Elevator suspension, compensation and governor systems.

No comments were made. The Commission will move forward with this proposed rule.

Item 2. R614-1-4 Incorporation of Federal Standards

Bill Adams explained that Federal OSHA has decided to establish extensive standards for cranes. These standards are to protect crane workers from fatalities and other injuries.

No public comment was made. The Commission will go forward with this proposed rule change.

Item 3. R612-2-5 Medical Fee Guidelines

Dr. Alan Colledge explained the process by which these new guidelines were established. He explained that the guidelines were prepared by the Medical Fee Committee and then presented to the Workers Compensation Advisory Council. He explained that in these guidelines it is stated that the Commission does not regulate hospital or pharmacy fees. He further explained that the cost for items like suture trays, were not incorporated into the cost of the procedure.

Comments were presented relating to physical therapists and the costs that they can bill. Dr. Colledge explained how the guidelines would apply to physical therapist.

The Commission will go forward with this proposed rule change.

The Meeting adjourned at 9:25 am.